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Pamplin

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Beale had a "Get Together" of their relatives and friends in their home last Sunday. The guests included Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Coffey and son, Phillip Wayne, Peggy and Vicky, Daniel, all of Lynchburg; Mrs. Marshall Bristentine, Charlotte and Bob, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Orange and Mrs. Elsie Smith, from Prospect; Mr. and Mrs. Barry Beale, Shirley Patterson and Connie Wooton, of Appomattox. A picnic lunch was served and enjoyed by all.

Relatives visiting Kenneth Elder in the Lynchburg General Hospital last week end were Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Maxwell, Mrs. Kenneth Elder, Rev. Wilburn G. Maxwell, Mr. and Mrs. Rawton Layne. Kenneth's condition is improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Baldwin recently visited their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hancock in Christiansburg. Many of the members of the family were present.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Baldwin, Cathy and Mr. Jack Price called in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Will Baldwin Sunday night.

Sunday visitors in the home of Dr. and Mrs. C. H. McCall were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Morris, of Lynchburg.

Mrs. McCall and Mrs. E. N. Cunningham motored to Axton last Tuesday and spent the day with Mrs. McCall's sister, Mrs. J. S. Smith.

Miss Phyllis Allen began a course of studies at the Hollywood Beauty College in Farmville last Tuesday, Sept. 8.

Mrs. Sam Baldwin returned home Friday afternoon from Blue Ridge Sanitorium at Charlottesville where she had been a patient for nin eweeks. Her condition is much improved and we know all her friends will be glad to know the good news that all the tests given proved to be negative.

Mrs. Eunice Baldwin entered the Virginia Baptist Hospital Saturday afternoon, where she is scheduled for surgery Tuesday.

Mrs. Cleve Baldwin was released from the Virginia Baptist Hospital Saturday, September 12, where she had been a patient for several days. She is improving.

Pfc Lawrence Hamlett, of Fort Jackson, S. C., spent last week end here with his parents. Lawrence will be transferred from Fort Jackson to Fort Dix, New Jersey, Friday, Sept. 18.

Week end guests of Mrs. Greene Garrett included Mrs. Henry Tolley, Mrs. Clayton Beale and Mrs. C. W. Slayton.

Mr. and Mrs. James Garrison, Jr. visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rodgers at Hampden-Sydney, recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Phillipps, of Hampden-Sydney spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. James Garrison, Jr.

Miss Kate Franklin is greatly improved healthwise and expects to resume the responsibility of teaching her music classes here in the Pamplin Elementary School as usual.

Mrs. C. W. Slayton visited Mrs Lizzie Slayton and Mr. and Mrs. Millard Slayton in Farmville Saturday.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Fore through last week included Mrs. Fore's brother, Lacy Ramsey, of Lynchburg. Wednesday afternoon. Saturday luncheon guests wer eMr. and Mrs. R. H. Nordstrom and son, Kenneth, of Prospect. Sunday night callers were Mrs. Nannie Burton, of Roanoke and her sister, Mrs. Ruth Eaton.

Last Thursday Mrs. C. H. McCall, Mr. and Mrs. Z. T. Moran spent the day in Lynchburg. Mr. Moran had an appointment with Dr. Echols.

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Pastor Says—

A young man was drafted into the army. As he went off to war his mother gave him a New Testament, "I want you to take this with you wherever you go." In battle one day an enemy bullet hit him in the chest. The New Testament, which he always carried in his left breast pocket, stopped the bullet and saved his life. Afterward he spoke of the marvelous power of the New Testament in that it saved his life.

How tragic that in this story the real life giving, life saving, life transforming power of the Bible has been completely overlooked! The Bible is too often viewed as a good luck charm. It frightens away evil spirits. Its presence in our home causes God to look on us with favor. It performs miracles. It supposes we blaspheme God's Word. We will fulfill the purpose of the Scriptures when we read and study them and try to put their teachings into practice in our own lives.

A minister, upon being asked to suggest a good part of the Bible to be read, replied, "Read any of it. It's all good." The latter statement is true, but not the same degree of goodness. Who would compare Leviticus with the thirteenth chapter of I Corinthians? or Ester with the Beatitudes? We need to know what is found where in the Bible and concentrate on the more important parts.

This means **reading** the Bible — reading all of it. We cannot be content with hearsay. We must see for ourselves what are the important parts of the Scriptures. We must give them a chance to speak to us. We don't manipulate the Bible or make it support our own theories and ideas. Rather we come to it in faith and let God speak to our hearts through the pages of His inspired Word.

How shall we read and study it? Some suggestions will be given in forthcoming articles.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Torrence spent a few days last week at Elkton, Va. visiting Mr. Torrence sister-in-law, Mrs. Birkley Torrence.

Mary and Charlie Bagby visited Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Almond and family Saturday afternoon.

Friends are sorry to learn of the illness of Mr. Gus Torrence We hope he may soon be well.

Mrs. Emma Lemon spent Tuesday night with Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Banton.

Walter Wingfield and Charlie Bagby visited Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Smith Monday night.

David and Billy Franklin visited Mrs. C. R. Franklin Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Garland Jennings and family, of Richmond, spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Hancock and Mr. Donald Webb.

Mrs. W. T. Covington spent a few days last week with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Coleman.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Banton, Sandra and Mrs. C. W. Slayton, Richmond, visited Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Banton Saturday.

Mrs. Jack Cawthorn was hostess to a shower given in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Seay Saturday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Slagle. They received many nice and useful gifts.

Charlie Bagby visited Mr. and Mrs. Gus Torrence and Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Banton Monday.

Mrs. W. T. Covington, Mrs. Walter Wingfield, Julia and Mary Ellen and Mrs. Charlie Bagby visited Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Slagle and family and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Seay Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Webb visited Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Banton Sunday night.

Gladstone

Mrs. E. P. Taylor, Mrs. C. R. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Julian W. Banton recently returned from a vacation to the World's Fair and a sight-seeing trip through Pennsylvania enroute home. While in New York they visited Mrs. Taylor's son, Carl Taylor, Jr. and son, Conway, of Richmond, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Christian.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Brown, Charles Wayne Brown and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Banton spent a week end in Washington, D. C. recently.

W. C. Carter attended the Southern "500" race in Darlington, S. C. on Labor Day Week end.

J. E. Taylor is a patient in the C & O Hospital in Clifton Forge.

Mrs. Bertie McAllister, of Ft. Laudadle, Fla. is visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Brown this week.

Henry F. Martin, of Huntington, W. Va., who has been visiting his sister, Mrs. J. A. Hesson, is visiting relatives and friends in Rustburg this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wyatt Sanders, of Powhatan, were Sunday guest of Mrs. J. A. Hesson and family.

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Background Scripture: I Samuel 8 through 11.
Devotional Reading: Psalm 72: 1-7, 18-19.

Give Us A King

Lesson for September 20, 1964

There used to be a comic character named Popeye. He once got to be king of some imaginary country, and were the first to crown the cartoonist could invent for him. Then one day there was a revolution. The streets were filled with people yelling, "Down with King Popeye!" Old Popeye had a fast cure for the revolution. (This was buck in the days when revolutions could sound funny.) He came out on the balcony, took off his crown and threw it to the mob. Then an attendant handed him a derby hat, which he put on. So everybody began to shout, "Long live President Popeye!" This little tale illustrates a point: leadership there must always be. What name the leader has is not important, it's how and where he leads that is the question.

Power in the People

Now the little "nation" Israel wanted a king. (We put "nation" in quotes because in the time of Saul it was hardly more than a confederation of tribes.) They had had great leadership from Samuel, but as he grew old the people began to worry about what would happen next. So they demanded: Give us a King! If you read the story it may raise in your mind an old and yet quite modern question: Where is the root of power in a nation?

The United States has the same answer the ancient Hebrews had: The people choose their leaders, the people's power is delegated to those leaders. What the people give the people can take. Mussolini, "Il Duce," Leader of Italy, once operated Italy as if it belonged to him. But there came a time when the people no longer supported him; and they hanged him in a public place. Power rises and resides with the people. They can misuse it, they may neglect it and let someone steal it; but the Hebrew nation, and our own, believed and believes that government can be only by consent of the governed.

Power Corrupts

Give us a King! the populace shouted; and when they got one, named Saul, and had vowed loyalty to him, they all went home. Now we have a King our troubles are over, they thought, and half-drunk with delight they tramped away through the dust. But there was one sober man there present, the prophet Samuel. He had in God's name selected and anointed this new king. But he could see the dangers in having a king at all. Saul's power to be king was conferred on him by choice of the people and of Samuel too. For someone would say more than a thousand years afterwards, power corrupts; and it would corrupt Saul. This new king would forget that his power had been given to him, not born with him; Samuel realized this and drew a bitter word-picture of what a king would be. In describing the king, any future monarch, the verb Samuel uses is mostly "the will take . . ."

Rights and Duties

Is this inevitable? Does all power always corrupt? Not always; but the danger is that possessors of power are in constant danger of being corrupted by it. Samuel must have thought the future was not loaded against the nation, for he wrote a document (a "white paper" as we might call it today) giving the "rights and the duties of the kingship." This, in germ at least, was a Constitution. A truly democratic system was there in essence. One of the original thirteen colonies, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, wrote into its constitution the phrase that this may be a government of laws, not of men . . ." In dictatorships of all kinds the law is what the dictator says it is — "I AM the State!" Monarchs have lived above the law; yet when they have done so, they have forgotten the first law of all, the law of God. What became of Samuel's book? Destroyed perhaps by some greedy king. But the Bible is not so easy to destroy.

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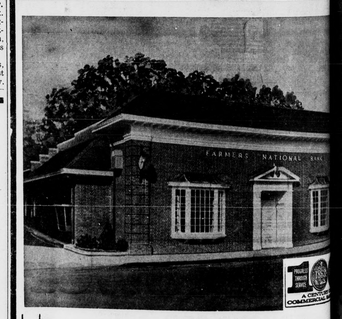

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Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Drinkard, of Lynchburg, and Mrs. Cabby Martin spent Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Martin, Sr.

Rally Day will be observed at Trinity Church Sunday morning. The Primary and Junior classes of Trinity Church enjoyed Saturday evening together with a hay ride and picnic supper.

Applewhite Circle

The Applewhite Circle of the W. M. U. of Liberty Baptist Church will meet tonight at 7:30 in the home of Mrs. Lola Ashworth.

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Services Held For Mrs. M. E. McDaniel

Mrs. Mary Eliza McDaniel—Daughter of the late Neal and Lucy Patterson and widow of the late Judge H. McDaniel, Appomattox, Va. departed this life Sept. 12, 1964, at 11:15 a.m. at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Helen Watt of 156 Stephen St. in Belleville, N. J.

The service was held at Galilee Baptist Church at 1 p.m. in Appomattox. She was laid to rest in the family cemetery.

Left to mourn are seven daughters, six sons, fifty grandchildren and thirty great grandchildren. Also, three sisters and six brothers and a host of other relatives and friends. West Funeral Home, Appomattox, was in charge of the service.

Personal Mention

Mrs. Lewis McDearmon, Jr., has been notified of the death of her grandmother, Mrs. R. H. Lindsay, of Roanoke. Funeral services were held Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Franklin have recently returned from a visit to West Virginia. While there they toured Radio and TV Station, WTAT, Parkersburg, where Mrs. Franklin's brother, Bob Trent, is an announcer and TV personality.

A reminder to UDC meets tonight at 7:30 with Mrs. Calvin Robinson, president of the Chapter.

Brocarick Peak, '64 VPI Graduate, is now enrolled at the Medical College of Virginia, School of Pharmacy.

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Year's Programs Outlined

On Oct. 15 Bernard Taylor, Supervisor of State Elementary Education will speak on "You and Your Child". The Halloween Festival is scheduled for October 31.

November's meeting will feature the annual Book Fair. In December Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Kissinger of Natural Bridge will give a Chalk Talk Christmas Story.

Club Hears District President

Fifty-two members and guests of the Woman's Club of Appomattox enjoyed dinner at the Parkway Restaurant Monday evening and an address by the president of the Altrusa Club, Mrs. William S. Gresham, of Lynchburg.

Mrs. Gresham outlined various Federation goals for the year. In particular she stressed "Health Conservation" in the per-servation of home life and its enrichment.

D. Gordon Graham, consultant to Appomattox Heritage, Inc., praised the efforts of civic minded men and women throughout the county, who have assisted in getting the proposed "Historic Light" outdoor production underway. He said that National Park Service approval of the project is necessary before plans proceed for raising funds, preparing a script, and other production details before the planned first performance on July 4, 1965.

Mr. William S. Gresham sang several familiar numbers for the gathering.

Mrs. J. N. McAden was elected delegate to the District Federation meeting October 8 at Chase City, Club president Mrs. Robert Lawson urged the department chairmen to attend.

Chorus Social

The Appomattox Civic Chorus will have an all-out Monday, Sept. 28, at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Grover Smith, of Appomattox. The all-out is planned as a kick-off for practice of the Christmas Messiah. Everyone interested in singing the Messiah is invited.

Practice will be held at Liberty Baptist Church at 7:30 p.m. following the social.

Cafeteria Menu

Mon. Sept. 21 — Vegetable soup with crackers, lime slice cheese, ½ peanut butter sandwich, potato chips, fruit cup or apple sauce, ½ pt. milk.

Tues., Sept. 22 — Spaghetti with meat sauce, string beans, boiled potatoes, hot corn bread with butter, pineapple pudding, ½ pt. milk.

Wed., Sept. 23 — Barbe-Que on bun, candied sweet potatoes, green peas, slice cheese, ice cream, ½ pt. milk.

Thurs., Sept. 24 — Hot dog on roll with dressing and onions, cole slaw, old fashion baked beans, chocolate pudding, ½ pt. milk.

Fri. Sept. 25 — Fish sticks with tomato catsup, black eye peas, baked tomatoes, hot rolls with butter, lime jellow with whip topping, ½ pt. milk.

Men's Fall Rally Set For Sunday

The Fall Rally of men of Appomattox Presbytery will be held at Camp Hat Creek Sunday, September 20, beginning registration and fellowship at 2:30 p.m.

Speakers will include Buck Peery, President of Presbytery Men's Council, John D. MacLeod Executive Secretary, Appomattox Presbytery, and Bernard E. Bain, Supt. Presbyterian Home. The meeting will conclude at 5:30 with supper immediately following.

Jayvees Play

Jayvees of Appomattox High play their first game of the fall season against Brookville today at 4 p.m. Jayvees last season racked up a record of 5 wins, 1 tie, and only 1 loss. Coach Walter H. Carson's ninth and tenth graders include six veterans from last year's squad with a total of 24 players.

Woodmen News

The Supreme Forest Woodmen Circle Grove 73 met at Maude's Resturant Monday, Sept. 14th at 7:30 p.m. There were eight members present and one new member.

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